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To Our Flower Loving Friends

WE SPECIALIZE chiefly in the growing and improving of flower seed strains which have become nationally known to a million visitors at the Busch Gardens. It was through the admiration of, and the many requests for seed from these flowers, that R. G. Fraser first conceived the idea of placing in the hands of all flower lovers, the seeds of such varieties as would be easy of culture, and which could be adapted to any garden anywhere. In his selection, he also took into consideration, their value for mass and color effects and their use as cut flowers. Many of them are the old fashioned flowers in highly improved forms of varieties such as, dahlias from seed, zinnias, asters, petunias, stocks, snapdragons, calendulas, marigolds, sweet peas, poppies and California wild flowers.

We are the originators of "SUN RIPENED FLOWER SEEDS," so-called because of the favorable seed ripening weather of sunny Southern California. The length of our ripening season, insures well developed and fully matured flower seeds. To guarantee the genuine quality of our flower seeds, we sell them only in packets, bearing our trade mark:



We sell our flower seeds DIRECT TO YOU not having any distributors or dealers. In this way, we can guarantee to you fresh and vigorous Sun Ripened Seeds. In this way we are also able to deliver to you our genuine flower seed in attractive collections at very reasonable prices.

ORDER EARLY—DO IT NOW—You will avoid possible delay due to the usual Spring Rush and you will be sure to receive the varieties you have selected. Our large stock of Sun Ripened Flower Seeds is ample to take care of a normal season's business but we have no way of telling just what varieties our customers are going to order.

HOW TO ORDER—You will assist us in making prompt and satisfactory delivery on your orders by signing your name and full address on every letter and order you send us. Be sure and order by correct catalog number to eliminate mistakes. Remit at our risk by money order, draft, or check. Use registered letter when sending currency. The prices quoted in our catalog guarantee free and safe delivery to any part of the United States, Canada and Mexico.

September 21, 1929.

Fraser & Son, Pasadena, Cal.

Dear Mr. Fraser:

We certainly had this community wild about your Zinnias and we were sure proud of them, and knew that they could not help but take first premium in spite of the fact that they were in competition with a large number of entries.

Tyou are given full permission to publish picture and certificate in your catalogue, and we will sure appreciate the seeds that you say you will send and in turn will promise you to take lst prize again next year. People are asking us where we got the seeds and I am sure we will be able to do you some good.

Yours very truly,

LESTER A. ROYAL, N. D.

Masonic Bldg. West Liberty, Iowa

"What Our Customers Say"

We receive hundreds of testimonial letters annually, but as pictures tell the story we are this year offering cash prizes for the best amateur photographs of flowers grown from our California grown flower seeds as follows: 1st prize, \$10.00; 2nd prize, \$7.50; 3rd prize, \$5.00; 4th prize, \$2.50, and \$1.00 each for the next ten best. To compete your photos must reach us not later than November 15, 1930. Prizes will be awarded December 1, 1930.

OUR GUARANTEE

We send out only vigorous, well matured Sun Ripened Seeds. We will guarantee their vitality providing you will carefully follow our cultural notes printed on every seed packet. We will refund not to exceed the purchase price on any of our specialties that do not show a fair germination within thirty days or less of planting, provided, however, that we are notified of such failure within a reasonable time.

Weather conditions, soil, and cultivation, have a large bearing on the successful growing of plants and must be taken into consideration. It is therefore agreed that Fraser & Son, shall in no case, be liable for more than the actual amount paid for seeds.

1930 Presentation

We take pleasure in presenting our annual catalogue for the ensuing year, containing several new flower seed specialties, which we are offering for the first time. Our catalogue again brings to you the opportunity to procure seed specialties of rare flower strains that were originally grown in the famous Busch Gardens of Pasadena, California.

More than a quarter of a century ago, R. G. Fraser, the creator of the famous Busch Gardens and founder of this firm, began improving floral gems by his gifted power of selection. The Busch Gardens, through means of unlimited funds, afforded R. G. Fraser the opportunity to procure the finest flower seeds from all parts of the world.

From these were selected the individual parents, that by isolation and selection, developed the purity of strains which became the standard of excellence that we have for many years sold as "original seed grown in the Busch Gardens."

Our effort to maintain this high standard of seed production and the ever increasing demand for our flower seed specialties, have resulted in our "Mission Gardens." within the shadows of the old "San Gabriel Mission." That we have maintained a high standard of seed production, is evidenced in the many unsolicited testimonials received.



R. G. Fraser, Founder

R. G. FRASER, founder of Fraser & Son and creator of the famous Busch Gardens. is recognized as one of California's foremost authorities on flower culture.



D. G. FRASER, Manager

D. G. FRASER, a close student under his father during his entire life, and for years in charge of experimental work in the Busch Gardens.



O. D. ARP, Assistant Manager

O. D. ARP, who as park engineer and landscape architect has devoted many years of his life to the culture and display of fine flowers in garden and landscape, gained his early experience in the Busch Gardens.

Giant California (Mammoth Balloon) Zinnias

Pictured in Color on Front Cover

NEW combinations for 1930 selected from the best of our giant mammoth and balloon types and grouped into shades, including several new varieties. Admired the world over for their size and coloring.

Rose-Pink Shades—No. 241—Large pkt\$1.00	Yellow-Gold-Orange Shades—No. 241—Large pkt\$1.00
Scarlet-Crimson Shades—No. 242—Large pkt 1.00	Lavender-Purple Shades-No. 243-Large pkt 1.00
New Salmon Shades—No. 244-	-Large pkt\$1.00

1930 INTRODUCTORY COLLECTION OFFER No. 245—ALL FIVE ABOVE PACKETS FOR \$1.00

Double Lilliput Zinnias

(Improved)

A dwarf Pom Pom Zinnia. Excellent for cut flower and basket work. Will produce extra long stems when grown in rich soil or well fertilized. Offered for the first time. (See cut at bottom of page.)

Lilliput Mixture-No. 100-In mixed colores of Canary Yellow, Salmon Rose, Scarlet, Purple and White, per pkt....... 50c



LILLIPUT ZINNIAS IN CONTRAST WITH MAMMOTH TYPES

Growers of Specialties in California Ripened Grown Flower Seeds

FRASER & SON-

PASADENA CALIFORNIA

CALIFORNIA WILDFLOWERS

Pictured in Color on Back Cover



TIDY TIPS



WILD SNAPDRAGONS

Our CALIFORNIA WILDFLOWER SEED FORMULAS will grow anywhere in the United States and Canada with the most ordinary kind of care. They have been proportioned to produce a succession of bloom over a period of several months. California wildflowers are especially adapted to beds and areas that receive little or no care or some unused corner. They will do equally well in shrubbery borders, along wooded walks, or in sections of the garden set aside for wild or natural plantings. Plant our California Wildflower Formulas and have a pit of California charm in your own garden. You will find them delightfully different.

Wildflower Formula—No. 11 — California Poppies in six selected colors.

Per pkt. 50c

Wildflower Formula—No. 22 — California wildflowers in a general mixture of 12 choice varieties. Per pkt. 50c

Wildflower Formula—No. 33—Six selected varieties for sowing in partly shaded areas. Per pkt. 50c

Wildflower Formula—No. 44—A beautiful blend in orange, yellow and cream shades. Per pkt. 50c

Wildflower Formula—No. 55—A mixture in blue, purple and lavender colors. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 60

A novel collection containing one packet of each of above formulas, for\$1.00



LUPINE, ONE OF CALIFORNIA WILDFLOWERS

OUR CALIFORNIA WILDFLOWER FORMULAS are superior mixtures of the more hardy sorts of native California wildflowers. They contain wild Snapdragons, Lupines, Baby Blue Eyes, Tidy Tips, Wild Heliotrope, California Poppies, Blue Gilia, Godetias, Blue Bells, Buttercups, Blazing Stars and others. Our California friends will find our novel collection an ideal gift to their friends in the eastern states. (Cultural notes on each packet.)

CULTURAL NOTES—Cultivate and prepare ground in ordinary manner and rake the surface as smooth and fine as possible. Seed bed should be firm. Sow seed broadcast (for easy sowing and even distribution mix seed at the rate of a spoonful to a quart of dry sand), then rake in very lightly with a fine rake. Just before a rain is a good time to sow. Will benefit by frequent watering in a dry year. In the East, sow in the spring after danger of frost is over. In California, sow from October to February.

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Improved Zinnias

GIANT CALIFORNIA (Mammoth flowered type)



FRASER'S MAMMOTH AUTUMN GLORY

GIANTS OF THE FLORAL KINGDOM. This highly improved strain is well known throughout the United States and Canada. The flowers often attain a size of six inches or more in diameter and have a great range of color. The plants will grow to a height of three feet or more and carry their flowers on strong stems. One of the most showy flowers of the garden and valuable as a cut flower. They are as easily grown as the old fashioned zinnias of grandmother days.

The superiority of our CALIFORNIA GROWN SUN RIPENED ZINNIA SEED has been proven by the many unsolicited testimonials received.

Note: Read testimonial on inside front cover.

GIANT CALIFORNIA ZINNIAS (Mammoth flowered type)

We offer this wonderful strain of seed in the following selected varieties:

Mammoth Autumn Glory—No. 208—A large buff bloom tinted with bronze and lavender, flowers have beautiful reflexed overlapping petals. Extra fine stems and foliage, a wonderfully soft shade.

Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Orange King—No. 210—A beautiful deep orange shade. Reflexed type. Has strong stem and fine foliage.

Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Giant Wonder Mixture — No. 223 — Rich in shades of crimson, orange, scarlet and pink. Everyone who saw this mixture growing in the fields of our Mission Gardens pronounced it a wonder.

Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Pastel Shades—No. 224—This mixture is most pleasing and has won great favor with many of our friends. A wonderful range of delicate colors. Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Scarlet Gem—No. 211—A wonder in size and depth of color. Makes an extra fine show. Color a bright scarlet. Petals somewhat loose. Has fine dark green foliage. Per pkt. 50c

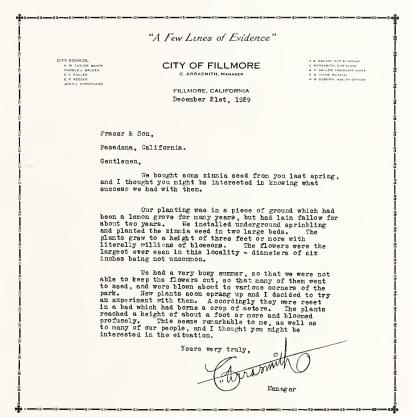
Mammoth Rose Queen—No. 215—An immense deep rose. Reflexed type. A perfect flower both in color and shape. Foliage extends well up to the flower. Carried on strong stems.

Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Pink Perfection—No. 216 — Very beautiful. A delicate flesh pink. Extra fine. Strong stems and luxuriant foliage. Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Purity—No. 220—An enormous pure white. Reflexed petals closely overlapping, having the flat appearance of a mushroom. Good stem and foliage. Per pkt. 50c

Mammoth Lemon Queen—No. 222 — A large magnificent bloom of lemon-yellow color and quite fragrant. Petals loosely arranged similar to Scarlet Gem. Per pkt. 50c



Giant California Zinnia Collection Offers on Above Varieties

1 pkt. Mammoth Autumn Glory 50c 1 pkt. Mammoth Orange King 50c 1 pkt. Mammoth Scarlet Gem 50c 1 pkt. Mammoth Rose Queen 50c 1 pkt. Mammoth Pastel Shades 50c 1 pkt. Mammoth Pastel Shades 50c 51.00	COLLECTION OFFER No. 232 1 pkt. Mammoth Pink Perfection
	INTRODUCTORY OFFER IN NEW

Improved Zinnias

CALIFORNIA MISSION (Balloon flowered type)

Our improved strain needs no introduction. Similar in habit of growth and size to the Giant California Zinnia, excepting the flower which is semi-globular in shape and very double. Unusually free bloomers. Our seed this year was gathered from the finest parent plants we have ever grown.

See opposite page for varieties and collection offers.



A SINGLE BLOCK OF MISSION PALE MOON ZINNIAS

NOTE THE SIZE OF THE FLOWERS. Each variety is grown in an isolated block and carefully rogued throughout the growing season to produce a high degree of purity and quality as to size, form and color. See page two for our 1930 Introductory Collection Offer in new zinnia combinations.

CALIFORNIA MISSION ZINNIA (Balloon flowered type)

These grand old garden favorites are the old fashioned Zinnias of grandmother days, brought to a high state of perfection.

Mission Crimson-No. 165-A beautiful bright crimson. Very rich in color. The flower has a fully rounded top of the semi-globular shape which characterizes our balloon flowered group.

Mission Golden Trophy-No. 166-A magnificent canary yellow, perfect in shape. Good for exhibition purposes. Fine Per pkt. 50c

Mission Orange-No. 170-A striking deep orange. Very rich in color. This variety is one of the best all purpose zinnias in the group. Per Pkt. 50c

for cutting.

Mission Purple Prince - No. 172 - A large purple bloom. Very distinctive in color. A shade that is not commonly known, but we consider it a winner in form, size and color. Per pkt. 50c

Mission Lavender Princess-No. 177-Deep lavender in color. A large flower, very full and perfect in form. Borne on splendid stems. A wonderful keeper as a cut flower. Per pkt. 50c

Mission Pale Moon-No. 179-A large flower of unusually fine form in a lovely sulphur yellow shade. It is slightly lower in growth and fine for foreground planting. Per pkt, 50c

Mission Scarlet Beauty-No. 181-A gorgeous scarlet. Splendid for mass planting. A very fine bloomer and a fine cut flower. A good all purpose zinnia. Per pkt. 50c

Mission Salmon Rose Shades-No. 183-A fine selection of salmon and rose shades. Covering a range of colors from the most delicate salmon pink to brilliant rose shades.

Per pkt, 50c

Mission Grand Mixture-No. 184-A selected mixture of the more brilliant colors of this group. Very effective for mass planting or planting in the distance.

ZINNIAS ARE EASILY GROWN. There is no flower of the garden that will pay a larger dividend for the small amount of care required. They love an open sunny location and will do well in any ordinary garden soil. They will bloom from July to frost. You may start them in hot beds during March or sow in a cold frame in April, or sow them in the open ground in May. When sowing in hot bed or cold frame, prepare seed bed or box with a light, loamy garden soil for best results. Sow thin and cover about ¼ inch. Firm gently. Keep seed bed moist (not wet). Zinnias transplant readily. Plant 12 to 18 inches apart, or if sown in the open, thin them to the same distances. In California and southern states, excellent results may be had by sowing in the open as late as July.

Wonderful results in Extra Giant flower will be your reward for a little special care such as disbudding or cutting out a large part of the side shoots, plenty of cultivation and adding well rotted manure or a good fertilizer after the plants are well established in the garden.

California Mission Zinnia Collection Offers on Above Varieties

	COLLECTION OFFER No. 190	
	1 pkt. Mission Crimson50c	
_	1 pkt. Mission Golden Trophy50c	ALL
Ī	1 pkt. Mission Orange50c	for
Ĭ	1 pkt. Mission Purple Prince50c	\$1.00
Ì	1 pkt. Mission Salmon Rose Shades50c	

COLLECTION OFFER No	. 191	
1 pkt. Mission Lavender Princess	50c	ì
1 pkt. Mission Pale Moon	50c	ALL
1 pkt. Mission Orange	50c	for
1 pkt. Mission Scarlet Beauty	50c	\$1.00
1 pkt. Mission Grand Mixture	50c	,

Fraser & Son, Gentlemen:

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 13, 1928.

From seeds of your Balloon Zinnias given to me by a friend, I've just taken a first prize at a local show and surely say that they are "Balloons". Please send me a copy of your catalog. Very truly,

(Name and address furnished on request)

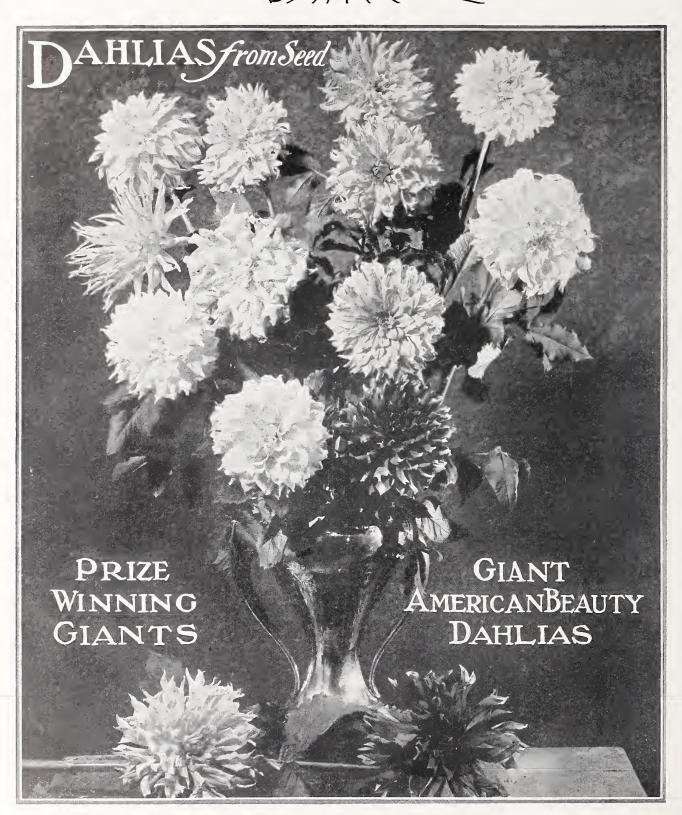
See page two for our 1930 Introductory Offer in New Zinnia Combinations.



Growers of Specialties in California Ripened Grown Flower Seeds-

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PASADENA CALIFORNIA



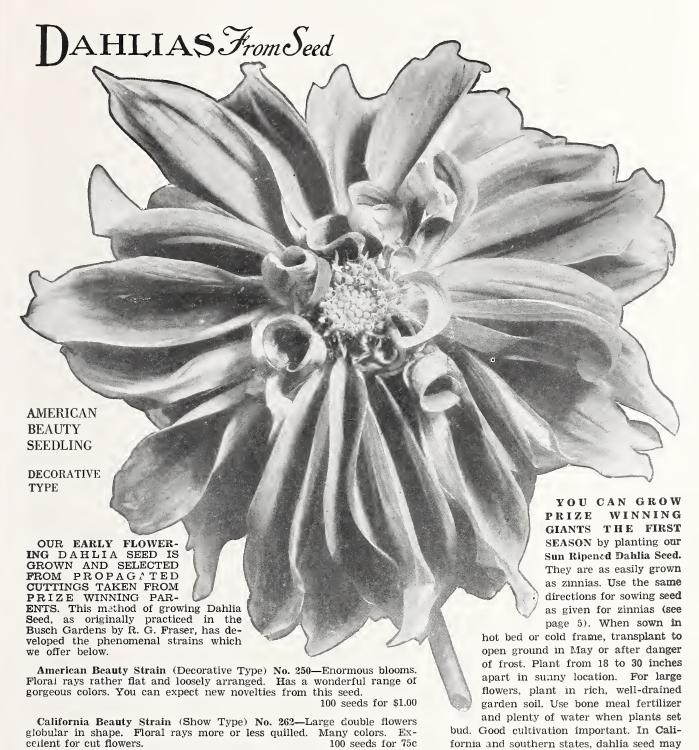
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mixture contains many marvelous shades.

PASADENA CALIFORNIA



Bird of Paradise Strain No. 271-Single

be sown in the open as late as June.

Pacific Beauty Strain No. 270-A mixture of unnamed novelties. This

COLLECTION OFFER No. 275-One packet (100 seeds) of each of the above strains for\$2.00

100 seeds for 75c

100 seeds for 75c

Growers of Specialties in California Ripened Grown Flower Seeds-

FRASER & SON-





RAINBOW ASTERS (Shasta Daisy Flowered)

OUR SHASTA DAISY FLOWERED RAINBOW ASTERS ARE AN IMPROVED STRAIN OF THE WELL KNOWN SINGLE ASTER AND ORIGINATED IN CALIFORNIA. THE DELICATE BEAUTY OF THE LARGE DAISY-LIKE FLOWERS DEFIES DESCRIPTION. THEY COME IN MOST BEAUTIFUL COLORS AND SHADES. THE FLOWERS ARE MUCH LARGER THAN THE ORDINARY SINGLE ASTER. THEY ARE CARRIED ON GOOD STEMS AND ARE EXCELLENT FOR CUTTING. THIS ASTER IS A MOST CHARMING AND GRACEFUL PLANT AND IS WORTHY OF SPACE IN ANY GARDEN. IT WILL DO WELL ANYWHERE THAT ASTERS WILL GROW.

See planting directions for asters on opposite page.

Rainbow Pink—No. 290—A delicate flesh pink. The flowers are the size of large Shasta Daisies. Per pkt. 25c

Rainbow Carmine—No. 291—Same in color as the American Beauty Rose. Por pkt. 25c

Rainbow Lavender—No. 292—A beautiful clear lavender of remarkable size. Per pkt. 25c

Rainbow Crimson—No. 293—An excellent crimson shaded to scarlet, the brightest color in this aster. Per pkt. 25c

Rainbow Rose—No. 294—Deep rose pink. A magnificent flower. Fine for basket decoration. Per pkt. 25c

Rainbow White—No. 298—A very large pure white. The best all purpose flower in this type. Blends beautifully with any of the above colors. Per pkt. 25c

Rainbow Blend—No. 299—A fine mixture of selected rainbow colors.

Large pkt. 50c

Crested Rainbow Mixture—No. 300—A 1930 Specialty in beautifully crested asters of the rainbow type. Large pkt. \$1.

COLLECTION OFF	FER No. 300
1 pkt. Rainbow Pink	25c \
1 pkt. Rainbow Carmine	25c
1 pkt. Rainbow Lavender	25c ALL
1 pkt. Rainbow Crimson	25c for
1 pkt. Rainbow Rose	
1 pkt. Rainbow White	

Fraser's Plume Asters

FRASER'S PLUME ASTER is an improved strain of the 'Ostrich Feather" type. Grows 2 to 2½ feet. Large chrysanthemum-like flowers. Graceful, feathery petals. In six beautiful colors

California Giant Asters

Pasadena California

THIS NEW GIANT, recently introduced, is a non-lateral-branching type. Plants grow three feet or more. Enormous flowers on strong $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 feet stems. In six lovely colors.

Ciant Blue No. 210. Clean agus blue normit 250
Giant Blue—No. 310—Clear azure blueper pkt. 25c
Giant Pink—No. 311—Delicate shaded pinkper pkt. 25c
Giant Purple—No. 312—A rich purple
Giant White—No. 313—A snow whiteper pkt. 25c
Giant Rose—No. 314—A deep rich rose
Giant Mixture No. 319 large pkt. 50c
COLLECTION OFFER No. 320—One pkt. of each of the five
separate colors for \$1.00

ASTER

THE QUEEN OF ANNUALS

One of the most popular annuals of the garden. Asters are easy of culture and have a long blooming period. They make wonderful cut flowers and are most useful as bedding plants. The improved strains which we offer stand supreme in this class. FRASER'S PLUME ASTER is an early branching type with unusually long flower stems. The flowers have long graceful feathery petals and are like large chrysanthemums in form, often reaching five to six inches across. A continuous bloomer. The CALIFORNIA GIANT ASTER is a non-lateral-branching type, growing somewhat taller than Fraser's Plume. The enormous flowers are borne on stems 11/2 to 2 feet long. The petals are beautifully curled and interlaced. A grand cut flower.

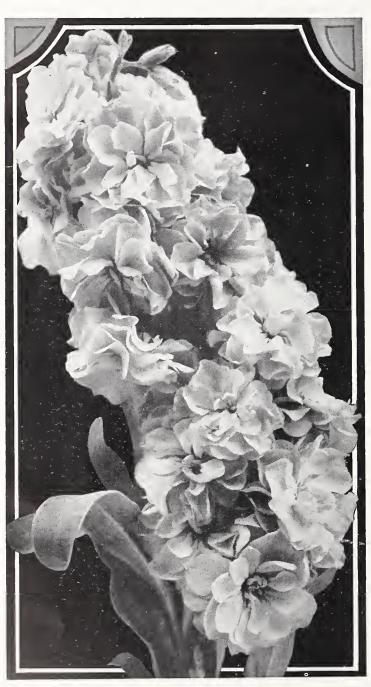
HOW TO GROW ASTERS

Sow the seed in shallow boxes or flats, using a light loamy garden soil. Sow thin and cover about 1/8 inch thick. Firm gently. Keep seed bed moist (not wet). Keep seed boxes in the house or a hot bed in March or a cold frame in April. Transplant seedlings into boxes or pots. Keep in cold frame until after danger of frost. Then transplant to their permanent location in the garden. Plant 10 to 18 inches apart. Asters may be sown in seed boxes in March, April or May, and may also be sown in the open ground in May. Asters enjoy a rich, we!. dug so:1.



STOCKS (Giant Improved)

Stocks hold a most prominent position in any garden. Will grow anywhere. They are free flowering hardy annuals invaluable for bedding, pot culture and home decoration and easy to grow. Stocks are both summer and winter flowering, producing a profusion of fragrant flowers over a long period. Our California Grown Sun Ripened Seed has no rival. It will produce a very large percentage of double flowers.



Giant Imperial Stocks

EARLY GIANT IMPERIAL (Double Flowered Stock)

PASADENA CALIFORNIA

A wonderful new strain valuable for both summer and winter flowering. A robust, heavily branched plant growing 2 to 2½ feet. Large double flowers, profusely borne on strong spikes and very fragrant. Sow in February, March or April for summer flowering and in July and August for winter flowering. (See cultural notes on bottom of this page.)

Giant Imperial Blue—No. 710—Beautiful dark blue. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Imperial Red—No. 711—A fiery blood red. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Imperial Pink—No. 712—A beautiful light pink. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Imperial Rose—No. 713—Perfect deep rose pink. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Imperial Lavender—No. 714—Pure in color. Very fragrant. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Imperial Golden Rose—No. 715—A novelty. Light golden rose in color. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 719

Your choice of any three of the 25c packets listed above, for50c

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CULTURAL NOTES-For summer flowers sow in February, March and April, or in the open ground after danger of frost. Use light clean soil in seed pans or flats. Sow thin and cover about 1/8 inch thick. Keep moist (not wet) and provide shading until seed is sprouted. Keep seed pans or flats in hot bed or cold frame. Transplant seedlings to boxes or small pots when about 1 inch high and protect from frost. (Do not discard the smaller seedlings as these usually produce the best double flowers.) When 21/2 to 3 inches high plant out in the open ground. For winter and spring flowers in gardens of California and other states having mild winters, sow in July, August and September in boxes or the open ground. For winter flowers in greenhouse or pots in cold climates start in July and August.

Double Mammoth Beauty of Nice Stocks

FEW STOCKS PRODUCE SUCH A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF DOUBLE FLOWERS. A BEAUTIFUL EARLY TALL-GROWING VARIETY IN THE MOST DELICATE SHADES. ALTHOUGH BEAUTY OF NICE STOCKS ARE USU-ALLY CLASSED AS WINTER FLOWERING, THEY ARE EXCELLENT FOR SUMMER BEDDING IN MOST OF THE EASTERN STATES AND ALONG THE COAST IN THE STATES OF CALIFORNIA, OREGON AND WASHINGTON. (See cultural notes bottom of page 12.)

Beauty of Nice Flesh Pink—No. 735— True Beauty of Nice color. Per pkt. 25c

Beauty of Nice Light Blue—No. 736— Beautiful azure blue. Per pkt. 25c

Beauty of Nice Pale Violet—No. 737— Light violet blue. Per pkt. 25c

Beauty of Nice Salmon Rose—No. 738—Beautifully shaded in salmon rose.

Per pkt. 25c

Beauty of Nice Almond Blossom—No. 739—Very delicate shaded variety.

Per pkt. 250

Beauty of Nice Monte Carlo—No. 740—Canary yellow. Per pkt. 25c

Beauty of Nice Mount Blanc—No. 741— A pure white. Per pkt. 25c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 750

One each of packet Nos. 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741 (7 in all) for......\$1.00

FRASER'S DOUBLE EMPEROR STOCKS

(Large Winter Flowering)

A grand winter and spring flowering type for the garden in California and other states that have mild climates. Excellent for indoor culture in cold climates. (See cultural notes bottom of page 12.)

Emperor Crimson—No. 610—A very fine crimson, height 24 inches. Per pkt. 25c

Emperor Rose—No. 611—Beautiful soft rose. **H**eight 24 inches. Per pkt. 25c

Emperor White—No. 614—A large pure white. Height 15 inches. Per pkt. 50c

Emperor Carmine—No. 615—Bright carmine rose. Height 15 inches. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 620

One packet of each of the above 4 colors for\$1.00

Beauty of Nice Mixed—No. 742—Ten varieties in a choice mixture including crimson, deep rose, deep blue and buff shaded.

Large pkt. 50c



Mammoth Beauty of Nice Stocks

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Growers of Specialties in California ened Grown Flower Seeds-

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CALIF. RUFFLED GIANT PETUNIA

PETUNIA CULTURE—Prepare soil for seed bed by mixing 2 parts good light clean soil or leaf mold with 1 part sand. Use no fertilizer. Sift through fine screen. Put this mixture into seed pans or flats and press down firmly and evenly within 1 inch of top. Water thoroughly, Allow soaked soil to drain well. Then sprinkle seed evenly on this surface. Press seed lightly with a flat block of wood and harely cover with a light sifting of sand. Dust new sways seed hed lightly with fine charceal or sulphur to flat block of wood and harely cover with a light sifting of sand. Dust new sown seed bed lightly with fine charcoal or sulphur to prevent fungi and damping off. Keep seed bed moist (not wet) by lightly sprinkling with a very fine spray and only when necessary. Cover pans or flats with a pane of glass and protect from sun by shading with paper. Seed pans or flats should be kept in a warm location (about 60 degrees) and well ventilated during germination period. They will sprout in ahout 10 days.

When the seedlings have developed 4 or 5 leaves, transplant into small pots or flats and keep in a hot bed, cold frame or outside if danger of frost is over. Save all the weakest looking plants as they usually develop the finest flowers, When 2 or 3 inches high, transplant into larger pots or into the garden. In eastern states petunia seed may be sown from February to May. In California to June. Handle your petunia seed packets carefully, as the seed is very fine and quite expensive.

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PETUNIAS

PASADENA CALIFORNIA

(Mammoth Flowered Types)

The most magnificent type of all petunias. The improved strains which we offer are a striking departure from the old fashioned sorts. The mammoth deep throated single flowers are beautifully fringed, ruffled and frilled and come in indescribable colors and markings often reaching 5 inches across.

Frilled Giants-No. 580-New novelties. Immense single flowers in crimson, scarlet, carmine, white and pink shades. Deep colored throats ranging from golden to maroon. Beautifully fringed edges. Per pkt. 50c

California Giants-No. 585-The largest of all single petunias. A special strain of marvelous shades. Deep wide open throats. Petals waved and frilled. Beautifully veined. Per pkt. 50c

Ruffled Giants-No. 590-Very choice. Flowers beautifully rufflled and frilled of heavy texture. Ruffles often overlap, giving appearance of a double flower. Most pleasing colors. Per pkt. 50c

Dwarf Giants-No. 595-New. Enormous flowers of the ruffled and fringed type. Beautifully blotched and veined, plants dwarf. (See photograph at bootom of page.) Per pkt. \$1.00

COLLECTION OFFER	No. 600	
1 packet Frilled Giants 1 packet California Giants 1 packet Ruffled Giants	50c	ALL for
1 packet Dwarf Giants		\$2.00



DWARF CALIFORNIA PETUNIA (Mammoth Flowers)

PASADENA CALIFORNIA

MARIGOLDS

MARIGOLDS HAVE AN IMPORTANT PLACE IN EVERY GARDEN. THE FINELY CUT BRIGHT GREEN FOLIAGE IN BOTH TALL AND DWARF VARIETIES AND THEIR BRILLIANT DISPLAYS OF ORANGE AND YELLOW, MAKE THEM INVALUABLE FOR MASS AND BORDER PLANTING. THE DWARF VARIETIES ARE ALSO EXCELLENT FOR GROWING IN POTS. WE OFFER ONLY SELECTED SEED OF IMPROVED STRAINS.

Marigolds have a long blooming period and are very easily grown. Seed may be sown in May where they are to grow. For early flowers, sow in hot bed in March or cold frame in April and transplant to the open ground in May. In California, marigolds may also be sown in August for late fall and early winter flowers.



(Pot Marigolds)

Hardy Annuals. Very showy garden plants. Particularly valuable for borders. Desirable for pot culture. Very free flowering. Will bloom continuously all summer if old and dying flowers are kept picked. Excellent as cut flowers.

Improved Orange—No. 410—A clear rich orange. Large double flowers.

Per pkt. 25c

Improved Yellow—No. 411—Large pure lemon yellow. Double flowered.

Per pkt. 25c

Golden Splendor Mixture—No. 420— In six remarkable shades ranging from deep orange to lemon yellow, and including beautifully striped varieties.

Large pkt. 50c



GIANT AFRICAN MARIGOLDS



FRENCH MARIGOLDS

SELECTED FRENCH MARIGOLDS

Fraser's Golden Wave—No. 379—Tall French double. Beautifully striped in gold, orange and brown combination. Grows 2½ to 3 feet. Flowers often 2 inches or more across. Very striking. Per pkt. 25c

Fraser's Parisian Wave—No. 380— Dwarf French double. A compact plant, excellent for borders or as pot plants. Velvety golden striped and mahogany brown in color. Will bloom profusely. Per pkt. 25c

NEW GIANT AFRICAN MARIGOLDS

Giant Orange—No. 397 — Enormous rich golden orange flowers of the quilled type, 4 to 5 inches across. Very globular in form. Will grow 3 feet or more high.

Per pkt. 25c

Giant Yellow—No. 398 — Same as Giant Orange in size and form, but a pure lemon yellow color. Per pkt. 25c



CALENDULAS

COLLECTION OFFER No. 405

Your choice of any 3 of the 25c packets on this page for 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 406

NEW (HOLLYHOCK FLOWERED) LARKSPUR

A new specialty Larkspur in five beautiful colors. Grows 3 to 4 foot high, early flowering, very double and will keep twice as long for cutting over the ordinary varieties.

Double Hollyhock Larkspur Pink—No. 851—Per pkt 50c
Double Hollyhock Larkspur Blue-No. 852-Per pkt50c
Double Hollyhock Larkspur Purple—No. 853—Per pkt50c
Double Hollyhock Larkspur Rose—No. 854—Per pkt50c
Double Hollyhock Larkspur Dark Blue—No. 855—Per pkt. 50c



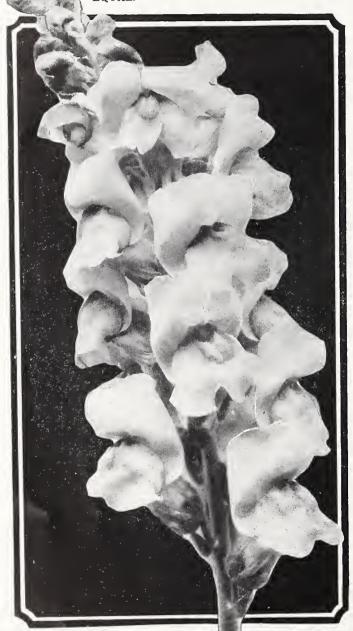
Growers of Specialties in California Ripened Grown Flower Seeds-

FRASER & SON-

PASADENA CALIFORNIA

SNAPDRAGONS (Antirrhinums)

SNAPDRAGONS NEED NO INTRODUCTION. THE FLOWERS COME IN GLORIOUS COLORS, BORNE ON LONG GRACEFUL SPIKES OF DIFFERENT HEIGHTS. THEY ARE EXCELLENT FOR VARIOUS GARDEN DISPLAYS. FOR CUT FLOWERS AND HOME DECORATION THEY HAVE NO EQUAL.



SNAPDRAGON (Giant Type) Snapdragons are free flowering and easily grown. Sow in pans or boxes (protected in hot bed or cold frame) in March and April or in the open ground in May. In California and states having mild winters, they may also be sown in the fall.

NEW GIANT SNAPDRAGONS

(Antirrhinum Maximum)

This wonderful new strain is superior to anything yet introduced, and will prove a revelation to those who know only the ordinary garden snapdragon. They grow to 4 feet high. The immense flowers of beautiful texture, are closely set on long graceful stems.

Giant Apple Blossom—No. 810—Soft apple blossom, pink with yellow lip and white markings. Solid spikes of magnificent flowers.

Per pkt. 50c

Giant Canary Bird—No. 811—A beautiful bright canary yellow. An excellent cut flower. Per pkt. 50c

Giant Copper King—No. 812—Rich bronze scarlet, showing a rich velvety sheen. Per pkt. 50c

Giant Old Gold—No. 813—Pure golden yellow. A most effective color. Per pkt. 50c

Giant Purple King—No. 814—Deep reddish purple or garnet. A very striking color. Per pkt. 50c

Giant Snowflake—No. 815—A wonderful large cream white of soft texture. Massive spikes. Per pkt. 50c

Giant Rose—No. 816—Flowers of extraordinary size of clear rose-pink. A magnificent flower. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 819

Your choice of any 3 of the above 50c packets for \$1.00

COLLECTION OFFER	No. 820	
1 pkt. Giant Apple Blossom	50c 50c 50c 50c	ALL for \$2.00

Growers of Specialties in California ened Grown Flower Seeds-FRASER & SON PASADENA CALIFORNIA

Tall Large Flowering Snapdragons

This strain will grow 2½ to 3 feet. They are excellent for bedding. The individual flowers are very large and somewhat loosely set on beautiful long spikes. Exceptionally fine for cutting. We offer a very choice selection of 6 varieties.

Tall Cardinal—No. 625—A dazzling scarlet, very rich in depth of color. Long spikes. Per pkt. 25c

Tall Coral Rose—No. 626—Beautiful shade coral rose. Per pkt. 25c

Tall Rose King—No. 629—Deep rose color clear through.

One of the finest in this group.

Per pkt. 25c

Tall Torchlight—No. 630—Bright orange with a yellow lip.

Per pkt. 25c

Tall Snapdragons Mixed—No. 634—Containing all the above 6 colors.

Large pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 1 pkt. Tall Cardinal 1 pkt. Tall Coral Rose 1 pkt. Tall Harmony 1 pkt. Tall Pink Venus 1 pkt. Tall Rose King 1 pkt. Tall Torchlight	25c ALL for25c \$1.00
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MEDIUM SNAPDRAGON (Large Flowering)

This group is most valuable for bedding purposes. The plant is more compact in habit and will grow 1½ to 2 feet high. They are a very free flowering strain. The flowers are closely set on good spikes. Very popular.

Medium Pink Perfection—No. 640—Beautiful Hermosa pink suffused salmon. Per pkt. 25c

Medium Empress—No. 641—Rich velvety crimson. Brilliant shade. Per pkt. 25c

Medium Carmine Queen—No. 642—A very bright rose carmine. Per pkt. 25c

Medium Silver Pink—No. 643—A magnificent pearly pink. A clear delicate color. Per pkt. 25c

Medium Defiance-No. 644-Rich orange scarlet.

Per pkt. 25c

Medium Prima Donna—No. 645—A beautiful terra cotta pink. White marking. Per pkt. 25c

Medium Snapdragon Mixed—No. 649—Containing all the above 6 colors.

Large pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 650	
1 pkt. Medium Pink Perfection25c)
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1 pkt. Medium Carmine Queen25c	ALL
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1 pkt. Medium Defiance25c	\$1.00
1 pkt. Medium Prima Donna25c	j į
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Tall Harmony—No. 627—Terra cotta orange shaded rose.

Per pkt. 25c

Tall Pink Venus—No. 628—A delicate flesh pink with white marking.

Per pkt. 25c



MEDIUM SNAPDRAGONS

SWEET PEAS

The popularity of the sweet pea has grown very rapidly since the introduction of the Spencer Type. Selection and breeding has developed marvelous varieties of larger flowers in new colors and beautiful forms borne 3 and 4 and sometimes 5 to a stem. Our climatic conditions and a long growing season are most favorable for producing vigorous seed of unusual vitality and a high percentage of germination, a fact recognized by a number of eastern seedsmen, who grow their sweet pea and other seeds in California. We offer our SUN-RIPENED SWEET PEA SEED in very choice selections of both the early and late flowering Spencer varieties.

Early Flowering Spencer Sweet Peas

This excellent strain of sweet peas will flower 3 to 4 weeks earlier than the Giant Type when planted at the same time. In eastern states sow seed in March and early April or as soon as ground can be prepared after frost is out. In California and states having mild winters, sow seed in August, September and October for winter and spring blooming, (See cultural directions on page 19.)



Sweet Pea-MRS. CALVIN COOLIDGE

Early Spencer Aviator-No. 515-A glowing

Early Spencer Amethyst-No. 516-Large royal purple. Per pkt. 25c

Early Spencer Eldorado-No. 517-A new Per pkt. 25c orange.

Early Spencer Grenadier-No. 518-Brilliant scarlet. Per pkt. 25c

Early Spencer Zvolanek's Rose-No. 519-Giant rose pink. Per pkt. 25c

Early Spencer New Blue-No. 520-A beautiful deep blue. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 525-One packet each of the above 6 brilliant colors for \$1.00

Early Spencer Sweet Lavender-No. 530-Beautiful large frilled lavender. Per pkt. 25c

Early Spencer Glitters-No. 531-Orange Per pkt. 25c cerise shade.

Early Spencer Fair Maid-No. 532-A deli-Per pkt. 25c cate blush pink.

Early Spencer Imperial Pink-No. 533-A large clear pink. Per pkt. 25c

Early Spencer Snowstorm-No. 534-Im-Per pkt. 25c proved large pure white.

Early Spencer Mrs. Calvin Coolidge-No. 535—A lovely salmon pink. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 540-One packet each of the above 6 exquisite shades for \$1.00

Early Spencer Choice Mixed-No. 542-A perfect mixture containing all of the above 12 colors and shades. Large pkt. 50c

Giant Orchid Flowering Spencer Sweet Peas

This wonderful new strain of the Spencer Sweet Peas is a later blooming type, maturing about 3 or 4 weeks after the early flowering. The flowers are very large and often attain a 2 inch spread. They are beautifully waved and frilled and usually borne in fours. We recommend them for eastern states and along the coast of California, Oregon and Washington.

Giant Spencer Tangerine—No. 545—An improved glowing orange. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Defiance—No. 546—Wonderful orange scarlet. Burnless. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Warrior—No. 547—A clear deep maroon. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Royal Purple—No. 548— Large rich royal purple. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Fortunc—No. 549—A beautiful rich dark blue. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Pinkie—No. 550—A magnificent large bright rose pink. A lovely variety.

Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 555—One packet each of above 6 rich colors for \$1.00

Giant Spencer Heavenly Blue—No. 560— A beautiful large delphinium blue.

Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Supreme—No. 561—Soft delicate pale pink. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Gold Crcst—No. 562— A light orange tinted with salmon.

Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Wembley—No. 563—Lavender shaded with pale blue. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Avalanche—No. 564—A great glistening white. Per pkt. 25c

Giant Spencer Mary Pickford—No. 565— Very large dainty cream pink suffused with salmon. A lovely variety. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 570—One packet each of the above 6 delicate shades for

Giant Spencer Choice Mixed—No. 572— A grand mixture. All of the above 12 colors and shades. Large pkt. 50c CULTURAL DIRECTIONS—Select a rich garden soil in a sunny location. Dig out a trench 6 inches deep by 12 to 18 inches wide and put to one side. Fill in 2 to 3 inches of well-rotted manure and spade thoroughly another 12 inches deep. Then replace top soil and work in liberal amount of bone meal 6 inches deep. Thoroughly soak with water. When dry enough to work, open a small trench 4 inches deep. Sow seed in bottom and cover about 1 inch. Fill in trench gradually as the plants grow until ground is again level. Seed should be sown 1 to 2 inches apart in the row and thinned to 6 inches, as the plants begin to crowd. Provide wire netting support as soon as the plants show. They like plenty of water and cultivation. After plants are up 12 inches, work top dressing of sheep manure and bone meal into surface of soil and water thoroughly. Repeat every three weeks.



Sweet Pea-MARY PICKFORD

New Improved California Poppies

NEW LARGE FLOWERING TYPE IN WONDERFUL NEW COLORS. AN IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATIVE GOLDEN POPPY OF CALIFORNIA AND ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR ANNUALS OF THE GARDEN. SOME OF THE VARIETIES ARE BEAUTIFULLY FRILLED AND FLUTED. OTHERS ARE SINGLE TULIP SHAPED OR DOUBLE. THE LACE-LIKE SILVERY FOLIAGE IS TRULY CHARMING. CUT FLOWERS WILL LAST TWO DAYS OR MORE IF CUT IN THE EARLY MORNING WHEN BUDS ARE CLOSED.



Poppy Scarlet Blend—No. 485—Including a new deep scarlet of the tulip flowered type. Per pkt. 25c

Poppy Orange Blend — No. 486 — Beautiful fluted and double types in rich orange.

Per pkt. 25c

Poppy Crimson Blend—No. 490—Rich crimson shades including a fluted type. Per pkt. 25c

Poppy Yellow Blend—No. 493—New fringed yellow and yellow shades. Per pkt. 25c

Poppy White Blend—No. 497—Large single and double varieties in white. Per pkt. 25c

Poppy Pink Blend—No. 499—Bright and delicate shades of pink. Per pkt. 25c

Poppy Carmine Blend—No. 504—Deep carmine shades including a lovely frilled type.

Per pkt. 25c

Poppyland Formula — No. 506 — A glorious blend of 12 choice colors. Per pkt. 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 509

Your choice of any three of the 25c packets listed above for 50c

COLLECTION OFFER No. 510

All of the 25c packets listed above (7 blends) for\$1.00

CULTURAL NOTES—Poppies are very easy of culture and will grow in any ordinary garden soil. They should be sown where they are to bloom. They do not transplant readily. Sow in rows 18 inches apart or broadcast. Thin to 8 inches apart. In the eastern states, sow in May. In California, poppies may be sown from October to April. Keep old flowers picked for continuous bloom.

Enoxville, Tenneesee, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada Sopt. 17,1928. Fraser & con, E. Colo. St., Pasadena, Calif., Terrace Park, Ohio, Oct. 4,1928. Dear Sira: I call you such because of the joy that has come to me and the whole of this section of ontario, where your glorious zinnia are filling any sends. Nine are beautiful. I gave my sends the a friend the green that he was a send the reat to her many such can be send the reat to her many such and so allifornia is sailing in Canada and so allifornia is sailing in Canada and sailing us more neighborly. Is nt it fine? Praser Con, 1000 Colorado t... Pasadena, California, Please send me 5 packages zimias 1 large package plume astors Australian Tree Marigolds Last epring I ordered a package of your sinmia seed and I wonder if you would be interested to know what a beauti-ful display of zinmias we had. I set some of your dahlia seed last year and got one hundred and three plants from them. Planted blee first in a cold frame and the inresolvanted to my proden. I set from these, the frame the inresolvantety of dahlias that I over had. They made the commended you will not need seeds this year. I have, however, peet to try them out this year. I did not know that zimias without the most careful cultivation, could attain such perfection. The flowers were huge and colorings of a ch wice range. On my table at present are some of rare and gorgoous coloring, and I thank you for your generous offer of five for one. I am going to order another package next appring. Also I want to know if you have the California poph seede, and also Swert Alliam? I would appreciate a reply to that quoetion as 2000 as a reply to that quoetion as 2000 as next summer's flower gardon this fall. Dont know what you ask for your marigolds. Dont need very your wild flower seed, I'd sure appreciate it. Sincorely yours Yours truly, Sacramento Cal. March 3,1928. Fraser & Son, Pasadena, Gentlemen: Louisville, Ky. March 14,1928. Enclosed find \$1.00 for zinnias orange 50¢ and Calmon Rosa 50¢. Orange out and Carmon nous out.

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August 16th, 1 entlesen: Scornal years ago I gathered some seed from zinnias I never had more beautiful flowers, and am anxious to procure eeed from you another year. Cinnias gros beautiful here, we have so much warm weather. Have you dwarf pompon zimia; Please sond soen, and oblige. Will you please send me your catalogue, and place on your mailing list. As it is nearly time to plant the sweet poa see I wish you would give this letter your immediate attention. Yours truly, Very truly yours, Thanking you for immediate return, Yours truly, Davenport, Iowa, November 22,1928. East Tawas, Nich. Oct. 4,1928. Praeor & Son, 1000 Colorado Stroot, Pasadena, Galifornia, Durban, Natal, South Africa, Pracer & Son, Pasadena, Cal.-I want you to know the pleasure I had with the \$1.00 worth of zimia seeds I bought from you last spring. I want to speak a word for your California Seeds.

I got my first seeds from you about five years ago, and such flowers as we raised. I never eaw anything Frasor & Sons, Dear Sirs: You may be interested to know how pleased we have been with the success we have head from the seeds obtained from you last July. The Zinnias were especially beautiful, the colorings unusual. The wild flowers have been a joy, some of them growing to such height, about four feat that they could be used successfully in decoration in long sprays. Enclosing money order for \$1 - 10, and trust that mill cover the bill, but if not, please let me know. Tem not a gardner or florist-I
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